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LOGISTICS OUTLINE FOR DD/S BRIEFING OF KILLIAN COMMITTEE

1. The Office of Logistics has the responsibility of providing logistical support to all Agency activities both at home and abroad. This responsibility includes, in general, the fields of procurement, storage, transportation, and accountability for Agency equipment and supplies; transportation of personnel, as well as their families, personal effects and vehicles; provision of operational facilities, warehouses, quarters, and utilities by lease, purchase, and construction; and furnishing selected administrative services such as printing support. At Headquarters Logistics is responsible also for bus and vehicle service, mail and courier service, telephone service, and the obtaining and allocation of space.

2. The logistics task in this Agency is influenced greatly by several considerations which are intimately related to the unique nature of the Agency's activities.

a. First, Public Law 110 allows the Agency special administrative latitude not ordinarily granted government agencies by Congress. This, however, is not an unmixed blessing since it carries with it a greater burden of responsibility for good judgment and exemplary behavior. However, the Director of Central Intelligence has established a policy that the Agency will comply with public laws and accepted government practice whenever and wherever possible and resort to our special authorities only when operations and security require it. A good deal of the day-to-day responsibility for implementing this policy rests on the Office of Logistics in individual cases involving vehicles, construction, and many other types of logistics support.

b. Secondly, since the character of support required by Agency clandestine operations is often unusual and unpredictable, it is very difficult to put Agency logistics support on the type of "routine" basis that is usually the heart of most logistics systems. As a result, much of our volume is on a crash or emergency basis.

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